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Date:

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To:

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From:

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Re:

Senate Bill 422

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I am here on behalf of the Department of Administration to ask the Committee for assistance in correcting a technical problem regarding general obligation bond authorizations. There is an apparent conflict between 1999 Act 4 which provided an additional \$59.5 million of general obligation bond authority for renovating the State Capitol and 1999 Act 9, the biennial budget.

Act 4 increased the cumulative amount of general obligation bonds which could be issued for the purpose specified under s. 20.866 (2) (y) by \$59,500,000 [see section 5, 1999 Wisconsin Act 4] and enumerated the increased bond authority for "completion of capitol restoration" in the amount of \$59,500,000. As a result of this change in law, the Building Commission authorized anticipatory contracts for the capitol restoration work presently going on in the building. As a function of s. 18.10 (1) which provides for treatment of "anticipatory contracts," these contracts have created the legal liability for the state as if though the contracts were general obligation bonds.

Subsequently, Act 9 [see section 638c, Wisconsin Act 9] increased the cumulative amount of general obligation bonds which could be issued for the purpose specified under s. 20.866 (2) (y) by \$68,419,000 for a variety of enumerated projects.

The problem occurred in the drafting of Act 9. The cumulative amount of bond authority being amended in Act 9 did not recognize the \$59,500,000 that had previously been added by Act 4 and amended the cumulative amount of bond

authority specified by s. 20.866 (2) (y) as if though Act 4 did not exist. The drafting error was not identified by the Legislative Reference Bureau, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, or the Department of Administration until after the budget was passed by the legislature.

It is our understanding that the Revisor of Statutes Bureau does not believe this problem is within the authority of that office to reconcile the conflict.

Failure to correct the conflict between the two Acts will result in the Building Commission lacking sufficient bonding authority to sell the general obligation bonds that it has committed itself to under Act 4 and to carry out the other bond-financed programs specified by the legislature under Act 9, including the purchase of major state office facilities already under construction. The current status also leaves the statutes specifying enumerated capital projects in excess of the bond issuance authority necessary to carry out the projects.

Senate Bill 422 corrects this problem and reconciles Act 4 and Act 9. There is no indication that the legislature had any intent other than to increase the bonding authority s. 20.866 (2) (y) by the total of \$59,500,000 in Act 4 plus \$68,419,000 in Act 9. The correct limit for this bonding purpose in s. 20.866 (2) (y) should be \$387,646,600.

The Department of Administration requests that the Committee consider legislation to resolve this conflict. I will be happy to answer any questions.

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